

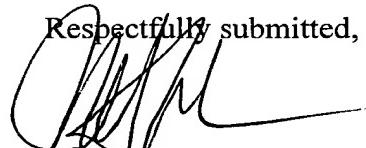
REMARKS:

Careful consideration has been given to the Official Action of June 18, 2003 and reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has made various objections to claims 1 and 4, while claims 1-8 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 second paragraph. In order to overcome the Examiner's rejections, claims 1-8 have been canceled. New claims 9-28 have been added, in which elements of the present invention have been positively set forth. New claims 9-28 are fully supported by the original disclosure and numerals have been included in the claims to indicate the corresponding elements in the disclosure.

Based on the above action, it is respectfully requested that examination of the application as amended based on merits be conducted and favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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